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TAGS:EAGR, OCON, FAO

SUBJECT: LETTER TO THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL

1. PLEASE CONVEY SOONEST COPY OF THE FOLLOWING LETTER
FROM SECRETARY VANCE TO DIRECTOR-GENERAL SAOUMA. WE WILL
ARRANGE FOR SIGNED ORIGINAL TO BE POUCHED.

2. TEXT IS AS FOLLOWS. QUOTE

THE HONORABLE
EDOUARD SAOUMA,
DIRECTOR-GENERAL,
FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION
OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

DEAR MR. DIRECTOR-GENERAL:
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I AM PLEASED WE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO TALK DURING YOUR
RECENT VISIT TO WASHINGTON AND GRATEFUL FOR YOUR
THOUGHTFUL LETTER OF OCTOBER 24.

THE UNITED STATES DID HAVE A PROMINENT PART IN THE
FOUNDING OF FAO AND WE REMAIN ONE OF ITS STAUNCHEST

SUPPORTERS. WITH THE GROWING IMPORTANCE OF FOOD AND ITS HEAVY IMPACT ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, WE THINK THE ORGANIZATION IS ESSENTIAL.

SUBSEQUENT TO OUR MEETING WE HAVE UNDERTAKEN THE CONSULTATIONS WITH CONGRESS THAT I PROMISED WE WOULD DO. THEY HAVE CONFIRMED DEEP CONCERN THAT THE CONGRESSIONAL APPROPRIATION PROCESS NOT BE CIRCUMVENTED.

I HAVE CONCLUDED THEREFORE THAT IF WE ARE TO SUPPORT POST-HARVEST LOSS ACTIVITY, WHICH I BELIEVE WE MUST, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE ASK CONGRESS THROUGH OUR NORMAL APPROPRIATION PROCEDURES FOR FUNDS TO CONTRIBUTE TO FAO. WE ARE ALREADY PREPARING FOR THIS LEGISLATION.

OUR CONGRESSIONAL CONSULTATIONS HAVE ALSO DISCLOSED STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE SUBSTANCE OF THE ENDEAVOR. THIS BODES WELL FOR MORE SUPPORT OVER THE LONG TERM.

IN THE HOPE THAT WE CAN PROVIDE BOTH SHORT AND LONGER TERM ASSISTANCE, I URGE YOU TO UNDERSTAND THE NEED FOR COMPROMISE WHICH ALLOWS FOR THE RETURN OF THE SUSPENSE ACCOUNT MONIES TO GOVERNMENTS WHICH HAVE LEGAL OR LEGISLATIVE PROBLEMS IN REGARD TO THEIR USE.

PLEASE ACCEPT MY WARM REGARDS AND BEST WISHES FOR A LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SUCCESSFUL CONFERENCE.

SINCERELY,

/S/ CYRUS VANCE VANCE

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